

# California MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

Amendments to the Constitution of the California Medical Association are required to lie on the table for one year before being voted upon. Five proposed amendments to the Constitution were introduced in the 1963 House of Delegates. Under the terms of the Constitution, these were subject to review by the Reference Committee in the 1963 House of Delegates and will also be reviewed by Reference Committee No. 4 in the 1964 House before being voted upon in that session.

The following five Amendments to the Constitution were offered in 1963, all of them placed on the table for definitive action in 1964. (The new wording is in italics.)

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT No. 1

Subject: Direct Election of All District Councilors  
Article III, Part B, Section 11

Author: John W. H. Sleeter

Representing: Los Angeles County

**Resolved:** That the Constitution of the C.M.A., Article III, Part B, Section 11, be amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 11—Election of Councilors

*"District councilors shall be elected by the vote of the members, entitled to vote, from each district, in the manner and at the time specified in the bylaws."*

and be it further

**Resolved:** That the bylaws of the C.M.A. be amended to provide for the election of district councilors in accordance with this Constitutional amendment.

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT No. 2

Subject: Permit Councilor District Number Three to  
Define Sub-councilor Districts  
Article III, Part B, Section 10

Author: Walter H. Brignoli

Representing: Reference Committee No. 4

**Resolved:** That Article III, Part B, Section 10 of the Constitution of the California Medical Association be amended to provide that:

*"District Number Three, comprising the County of Los Angeles may define the geographic or other limits of the sub-councilor districts within the county, provided their bylaws specify that delegates and alternates shall be elected from the same sub-councilor districts."*

### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT No. 3

Subject: Direct Election of Councilors in Districts  
Wholly Contained within Boundaries of One  
Component Medical Society  
Article III, Part B, Section 11

Author: Joseph P. O'Connor

Representing: Los Angeles County

**Resolved:** That Article III, Part B, Section 11—Election of Councilors, be amended to read hereafter as follows:

*"District councilors shall be elected by vote of the delegates from each district, in the manner and at the time specified in the bylaws; provided, however, that in those councilor districts wholly contained within the boundaries of one Component Medical Society, district councilors may be elected by the vote of the members entitled to vote from such councilor or sub-councilor district, if the district be divided, in the manner and at the time specified in the bylaws; subject, however, that at the first meeting of the House of Delegates, after a district councilor has been elected, his name shall be submitted to the House, by the delegates from the district and (1) if there is no challenge by any*

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delegate, then the speaker shall declare his election completed, and (2) if any delegate shall challenge the election on any ground, including fitness of the councilor to serve as a district councilor, the questions presented by the challenge, shall be submitted to a Qualifications Committee, consisting of the president, president-elect, and one delegate appointed by the speaker, from the councilor district or sub-district involved. The Qualifications Committee shall consider all grounds upon which the councilor is challenged, and report back to the House. If the committee reports in favor of confirming the councilor's election, the speaker shall declare him elected. If the committee reports against confirming the councilor's election, a three-fourths affirmative vote shall be necessary to sustain the report of the committee, in which event, the councilor shall be ineligible to serve as a district councilor, and the delegates or members from the district or sub-district shall immediately proceed to the election of another councilor for the vacant office. If an adverse report of the Qualifications Committee is not sustained, then the councilor shall be declared elected by the speaker."

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT No. 4

Subject: Permit District Number Three to Subdivide into the Same Number of Sub-councilor Districts as There Are Councilors and Elect Sub-councilors by the Membership  
Article III, Part B, Section 10

Author: Joseph P. O'Connor

Representing: Los Angeles County

**Resolved:** That Article III, Part B, Section 10 of the California Medical Association Constitution,

wherein, it refers to District Number Three, be amended to read hereafter as follows:

"District Number Three, comprising the County of Los Angeles. *The members of District Number Three may, by a vote of the members entitled to vote, elect to divide District Number Three into the same number of sub-councilor districts as there are councilors. If the district is so divided, a councilor shall be elected by and represent the members of each sub-councilor district.*

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT No. 5

Subject: Permit Direct Election of Councilors in Councilor Districts Wholly Contained within the Boundaries of One Component Medical Society  
Article III, Part B, Section 11

Author: Joseph P. O'Connor

Representing: Los Angeles County

**Resolved:** That Article III, Part B, Section 11—Election of Councilors—be amended to hereafter read as follows:

"District councilors shall be elected by vote of the delegates, from each district, in the manner and at the time specified in the bylaws; provided, however, *that in those councilor districts wholly contained within the boundaries of one Component Medical Society, district councilors may be elected by the vote of the members entitled to vote from such councilor or sub-councilor district, if the district be divided. At the first meeting of the House of Delegates, after a district councilor has been elected, his name shall be submitted to the House by the Delegates from the district or sub-district, and the speaker shall declare his election completed.*

### Information, Please

LILLIAN HSU—Female Chinese, 15 years of age; 5 feet 2 inches tall; 119 pounds plus; black hair, brown eyes; 8 months pregnant (14 Nov. 1963).

Has been missing from the Booth Memorial Hospital, Oakland, since 7 October 1963. Any information please forward to Oakland Police Department, Missing Persons Detail; Officer W Glavor, CRestview 3-3352.